Publication clause.

its publication in The Iowa State Register and Iowa State Leader, newspapers published in Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved March 18th, 1874.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published at Des Moines in *The Iowa Daily State Leader* March 23, and in *The Daily Iowa State Register* March 24, 1874.

JOSIAH T. YOUNG, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER LIL

LEGALIZED BONDS OF A SCHOOL-DISTRICT IN HARDIN COUNTY.

F. 230. AN ACT to Legalize the Issuing of the Bonds of the Independent School-District of Union, Hardin County, Iowa.

Preamble

Whereas, On the 20th day of June, A. D. 1873, the independent school-district of Union, in the county of Hardin, and state of Iowa, did hold an election, and did thereat, by a majority of the legal voters of said independent school-district, vote to issue bonds of said district to the amount of (\$2,000) two thousand dollars for building and furnishing a school-house in said independent school-district of Union; and

Majority not present throughout election.

Whereas, Doubts have arisen as to the legality of said vote, inasmuch as a majority of the board were not all the time present; therefore,

Issuance of bonds legalized. SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iova, That the issuing of the bonds of the independent school-district of Union are hereby legalized and made valid.

Publication clause.

SEC. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect from and after the date of its publication in the Des Moines Register and the Eldora Ledger, to be published without expense to the state.*

Approved March 18th, 1874.

CHAPTER LIII.

IN RELATION TO CERTAIN SCHOOL-LANDS IN DECATUR COUNTY.

H. F. 340. AN ACT to Legalize the Appraisement and Sale of certain School-Lands in Decatur County, Iowa.

Preamble: appraisers appointed improperly. Whereas, The board of supervisors of Decatur county, Iowa, at their June session of the year A.D. 1866, authorized a reappraisement of certain school-lands in said county, under a misapprehension of the law, and under such authority the clerk of said board did on the 10th day of July, A.D. 1868, appoint three appraisers to reappraise such lands and make report to his office

^{*} See Appendix.

which was done accordingly: the following being the lands so appraised, to-wit: all of section no. 16, township no. 67 north, of range no. 26, west of the 5th p. m., in Decatur county, Iowa,

being 640 acres; and,

WHEREAS, The township trustees are constituted by law the legal appraisers of the school-lands in their respective townships, and as a consequence the reappraisement made by the appraisers appointed by the clerk of the board of supervisors as aforexaid, together with all sales, transfers, and conveyances under the same, are therefore illegal and void; and,

Whereas, All of said lands have been sold under said reappraisement, and a part thereof been patented by the state of Iowa, and transfers and conveyances made of a portion of same, and a portion of said lands being now cultivated and occupied by citizens as homes, in good faith, under such title; now, therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa: Section 1. That said appraisement made by the appraisers appointed by the clerk of the board of supervisors on the 10th day Appraise of July, A. D. 1868, together with all sales, transfers, and conveyment and sales legal ances made thereunder, be and the same are hereby legalized and ized. declared to be as legal and valid as if they had been made in strict conformity to law.

Approved March 18th, 1874.

CHAPTER LIV.

IN RELATION TO TAXES TO AID RAILROADS.

AN ACT to Amend an Act relating to the Taxes voted in Aid of the H. F. 381. Construction of Railroads, passed by the 15th General Assembly.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the

Section 1. Is at enacted by the General Posentory of the State of Iown, That section 6 of said act be and the same is 1874; xxiviti, hereby amended so as to read as follows, viz.:

"Section 6. The provisions of sections 1 and 2 of this act shall not R. R. compaply to railroad companies, which have in good faith commenced in the work of construction of their said railroads in the township, same was to be expended. city, or town, in which such tax was voted, or in which the same was to be expended prior to the first day of April, 1874, and shall continue in good faith the work of construction in such townships, cities, or towns; nor shall the provisions of said sections in any way affect their right to collect any and all taxes voted by such townships, cities, or towns in aid of their said roads to which they are justly entitled, or annul said taxes, and said railroad companies, so in good faith proceeding to construct their said roads, shall be entitled to collect and receive such taxes when they have complied with the law under which the same were voted: Provided, however, Said companies shall earn and become entitled to such tax within two years from the passage of this act: And provided further, That this section shall not have the effect to revive any tax already forfeited by reason of the failure of any